TIPPECANOE COUNTY COURT SERVICES 117 North Fourth Street Lafavette, IN 47901

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Mission Statement

As a liaison between the courts and the clients, our goal is to provide quality services that will empower the client to improve choices they make while functioning within their family and community.

PHILOSOPHY and PURPOSE

Chemical dependency is a primary disease that manifests itself in chronic, progressive, negative consequences for the offender, their family, and the community. For personal and community safety, alcohol use is acceptable only when used responsibly, by people of legal age, and when the risk of adverse consequences is low or non-existent. There is no tolerance for impaired driving in this community. Prescription and over-the-counter medications are to be used only for the purposes for which they were intended, and illegal drugs are not to be used at all.

When people misuse or abuse drugs (which includes alcohol), proper early intervention by Tippecanoe County Court Services, can be an effective strategy and tool for countering the negative cost to this community for such behavior by offenders.

Therefore it is the purpose of Tippecanoe County Court Services, to provide the appropriate level of intervention, education, referral to treatment, and case management to court offenders, hereafter known as clients, in need of such services and in lieu of criminal detention.

GOALS

- 1. To improve the quality of life of clients, the client's family members, and the public by reducing the frequency and severity of substance abuse by offenders.
- 2. To improve public safety by reducing alcohol and drug related criminal activity and deviant behavior.
- 3. To provide such service through the use of user fees at no expense to the taxpayers.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. To provide eligible clients with a timely, appropriate diagnostic evaluation and assessment, for the purpose of providing them with an individual and effective clinical plan.
- 2. To provide substance abuse education, at Level Two and Level Three (basic and advanced levels), that will enable and attain a behavioral change on the part of clients.
- 3. To provide appropriate referral of clients to substance abuse treatment providers.
- 4. To develop and maintain an effective network of treatment providers and contractors to whom clients may be referred.
- 5. To provide a continuum of care and management of a client's case which meet both the treatment system requirements and the criminal justice system requirements by focusing on the legal compliance of the offender with their individualized treatment plans.
- 6. To provide all services through user fees and at no cost to the taxpayer.

The fees for the services provided have been explained to me and I have been given a copy of this form.	
Client Signature	Date